

## LONGER SCHOOL TERMS PROBABLE

Much Prosperity Shown by Reports to Buckingham County Board.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Arvonia, Va., August 24.—The annual meeting of the Buckingham County School Board has been held, and the officials of all grades are now engaged in making out their annual reports for the Richmond office. For the year closing, much prosperity is shown by the reports. In most of the districts schools were run longer than at any time in the history of the public school system; better teachers were employed, and incomparably more interest shown in the subject of education.

The county board decided to open all high and graded schools in the county on September 15, and all rural schools on October 6. Holidays will be given on Thanksgiving and Christmas. Teachers will be required to remain at the schoolhouses during recess of each day.

The salaries of professional and normal teachers have been raised in the rural ungraded schools from \$35 to \$40 a month. In the high and graded schools each school board will fix the salaries according to districts.

Reports show great increases in efficiency and personnel of the teaching corps, especially during the past two years. Within the past four years twenty new schoolhouses have been built in the county; the high schools have increased from one to three; the graded schools to seven; school libraries increased in that time from one to twenty-nine. School property increased in valuation from \$11,100 to \$25,500. Local revenues increased 70 per cent, owing to a raise in the levy and a general increase in the valuation of property in the county.

Industrial work in the colored schools last year attracted great attention. So great was the success of this work, the county school board made an appropriation to continue the work during the next session.

There are more teachers applying for the schools of the county than is usual at this time of the year, and it seems that there will be enough applicants to fill all vacancies, except in the colored schools, which always show a shortage.

It is expected that every school in the county will be able to increase the length of the term during the coming winter, in some cases a month, and in others more.

A large number of people have been searching Slate River for the body of young Dorsey Harrison, who was drowned a few nights ago, just below Diana Mills, a few miles west of here. The young man was caught on the north side of the river by a thunderstorm of great violence, and, in attempting to cross the south side, where his home was located, to stay at home with his sister, the mule which he was riding evidently could not swim across the river, or in some way precipitated him in the stream. He had on a long and heavy overcoat, and he was unable to swim, all of which conspired to bring about his death. He was the son of Alexander Harrison, a prominent citizen of Buckingham County.

Frequent and copious rains have served to keep all kinds of crops up to the highest state of excellence throughout the latter part of the summer. Farmers are predicting a bumper crop of corn, and tobacco never looked better for this time of the year. Watermelons and cantaloupes are plentiful, fine and cheap. Garden truck is to be had in the greatest abundance. Fall grass crops are excellent.

Henry C. Stuart will speak at a farmers' picnic to be held at Mount Zion, Marshall District, on next Saturday, August 30. A great crowd is expected to be present. Mr. Stuart will be the guest of A. J. Terrell while in this section.

### GUILTY OF SIMPLE ASSAULT.

John Carver Acquitted of More Serious Charge Brought by Niece.

Fayetteville, August 24.—Charged with a criminal attack on his niece, Lanie Carver, for which he was arrested in Lumberton Thursday last week, John Carver, a young white man, of Hope Mills, placed on trial before Magistrate John Smith, of Rockfish township, was acquitted of the criminal attack charge and found guilty of a simple assault. There was no evidence to sustain the serious charge preferred against Carver. He was released on payment of costs.

## MAY PURCHASE SITE FOR PERMANENT CAMP

Government Said to Be Negotiating With Solenberger for His Land Near Winchester, Upon Which Cavalry Manoeuvres Are Being Held,

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Winchester, Va., August 24.—Reports are current here that there is a strong possibility that the United States government negotiating with Noah W. Solenberger for the purchase of land several miles southeast of Winchester, upon which the camp of cavalry instruction is now being held, with a view of converting it into a permanent army post. Mr. Solenberger could not be located to ascertain whether he has been approached by representatives of the government, and officers at the army camp did not appear to know much about the matter, several saying they were not in a position to discuss what the government may or may not do in this or any other plan which may be in contemplation. The reports, however, have become pretty widely circulated, and it was also rumored that the government had obtained an option on the Solenberger tract now in use by the cavalry brigade. There is much land in the same section owned by Mr. Solenberger and others which is admirably adapted to the purposes indicated, and it is understood that little, if any, difficulty would be encountered in making a deal.

The officers and troopers of the Tenth, Eleventh and Fifteenth Cavalry Regiments, who have been engaged in rehearsing the squadron drills since the program of the General Cavalry Board was taken up at the opening of the camp a month ago, are now doing the regimental drills and manoeuvres, and later on the entire brigade will be thrown together and drilled according to the plans mapped out by those members of the general staff and cavalry board who last winter and spring studied improved and modern methods of cavalry formations in certain European countries. The officers and men continue to manifest a very lively enthusiasm in the new practice drills, and there is much rivalry among the units of the three regiments to see which can excel, all of which is pleasing and gratifying to Colonel C. H. Murray, the commander of the camp, and the other officers associated with him.

A general court-martial was held at the camp this week, with Lieutenant Russell, of the Fifteenth Cavalry, as judge-advocate, and quite a large number of enlisted men charged with sundry violations of the military law were before the court. While the majority of the men were acquitted, some were sent back to the guard-house.

Another windstorm struck the camp several nights ago, but little damage was done, the men could see the storm approaching, and by the time it hit the camp tents were prevented from being blown over by the troopers. The soldiers, recalled their experiences of last week, when two storms broke over the camp and blew down about sixty tents and caused other damage, and on this occasion they were better prepared.

The health of the camp continues remarkably good. At no time has there been over forty-five men in the hospital, and practically all of those reported sick were suffering from temporary ailments lasting but a few days at a time. Nothing in the way of dirt or rubbish is permitted at the camp, and all garbage and other refuse and waste is burned to ashes as rapidly as it accumulates.

Lieutenant-Colonel Henry T. Allen, of the general staff, who is spending practically the entire summer here, has been in Washington several days this week.

Captain David H. Biddle, of the cavalry, was assigned here yesterday from Washington, having been detailed as an observer for fifteen days.

Major Cabell, of the Eleventh Cavalry, has gone to Washington, where he is on special duty.

Captain Gillen, of the Eleventh Cavalry, has been assigned to the Eighth Cavalry, now on duty in the Philippines, and left a few days ago for Washington. He will proceed to San Francisco shortly and sail for Manila.

Dr. William P. McGuire, of Winchester, was this week re-elected president of the Shenandoah Valley Medical Association at the society's annual meeting in Woodstock. Dr. J. E. Lincoln, of Lacey Springs, and Dr. W. F. Driver, of New Market, were elected vice-presidents, and Dr. L. M. Allen, of Winchester, was made secretary. Typhoid fever and methods of preventing epidemics, the stone was discussed, the discussion being led by Dr. McGuire. The visiting physicians were entertained.

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## Breakfast at Your Finger Tips

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ed at the Hotel Holtzman by the Shenandoah County Medical Society.

Two animated poker games which were in progress in the basement of a house at Berryville, Clarke County, were suddenly broken up and the players arrested a few nights ago by Chief of Police Felner and special officers, who had been sworn in for the purpose of making the raid, which was quite spectacular. All the players endeavored to disappear into the air, but were caught by the cops as they came through doors and windows. All the players were fined \$5 and costs by Mayor Jones, except Robert Wendel, of Front Royal, who was fined \$100 and costs and given sixty days in jail, it being claimed that he was in charge of the games. He appealed, and was released on \$300 bond. The case will be taken up at the next term of the Circuit Court, and a dozen or more well-known citizens, several of whom are among the most prominent of the town, will have to appear as witnesses. They are said to have been spectators while the games were in progress. The case was conducted the cops, the jackpots and poker chips, and also gathered up a large number of empty beer bottles, all of which will be introduced as evidence.

Winchester's dramatic stars, assisted by Miss Margaret Britton, of Washington, and Lieutenant Alexander Day Surles, of the United States Army, as dancers; Mme. Schlosshauser-Reynolds, of the Royal Opera, of Berlin, as soloist; Professor Howard Thatcher, of the Feabody Conservatory, an accompanist; and Miss Marie Donaldson Ames, of Boston, as dancer, appeared in a high-class vaudeville program at the City Hall auditorium on Wednesday night for the benefit of Memorial Hospital. The Eleventh Cavalry Band also contributed much to the success of the show, which was patronized largely by fashionable society and the army officers connected with the camp of cavalry instruction and their wives and daughters.

Colonel Robert F. Leedy, commander of the Second Virginia Regiment, and a prominent member of the Luray bar, who was recently nominated by the Democrats of Page and Rappahannock Counties for the House of Delegates, is sure of being elected, as Rappahannock alone is a Democratic stronghold, while Page County has frequently been carried by that party, although there is a large Republican vote within its borders. The latter, however, are split into factions, and the Bull Moores have made some headway.

The Virginia Horticultural Society has arranged to hold apple packing demonstrations this fall in a large number of cities and towns of those sections of the State where apples are grown in what are known as commercial orchards. Demonstrations will be given in both barrel and box packing, and Professor E. G. Starcher, of the Blacksburg experiment station, will be in charge of the packing schools. One-day sessions will be held in most of the towns, but the Winchester school will be open three days on account of the large number of men of this city and county engaged in the fruit industry.

Miss Frances Peyton Page and her brother, W. Nelson Page, of Winchester, who participated in the interstate tennis tournament at Cumberland Md., this week, won notable victories over a number of the best players of Maryland, the District of Columbia, West Virginia and other States.

### HIGH PRICES FOR TOMATOES.

Growers in Northern Neck Enjoy Prosperous Season.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Heathsville, Va., August 24.—For years the tomato has been recognized as the money-maker for the Northern Neck trucker, and the tomato industry has brought many dollars to the Neck. This year the early crop was considerably damaged by late frosts, and the quantity greatly reduced, but the quality, together with the scarcity, caused extremely high prices, and the early truckers' pockets are all bulging with cash.

The canneries are now running at full blast, and not for years has the prospect for the operators been so bright. In many parts of the country, where tomatoes are grown in quantities, the crop has been in complete failure. Therefore, this winter the canned tomato will be a luxury for many tables, and the canners of the Northern Neck will enjoy fancy prices for their goods. With the exception of tomatoes canned in a few counties in Maryland, the Northern Neck canned tomatoes has no equal, and the brands are well-known in many parts of the United States. Many of the factories are now making berries, corn and sweet potatoes, and the demand for these goods are beyond the supply.

The prospect for a large yield of corn is quite good. A large portion of the crop was planted very late this season, and consequently missed the severe droughts of the early summer, and has not suffered for rains as in other places. It is believed, for the first time in many years, it will be necessary to import very little hay into the Neck this winter, as the crop has seemed abundant.

In accordance with the crops, game seems also abundant. Quail, rabbits and squirrels can be seen on all sides.

### IN JAIL FOR SAFEKEEPING.

Threats Against Negro Who Attacks White Girl.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Charlottesville, Va., August 24.—Gibbert Walker, colored, aged twenty-two years, has been lodged in the City Jail charged with attacking Miss Annie Hammer, a ten-year-old white girl of Scottsville, this county. Walker fled after the alleged attack, but was caught in the southern end of the county. When captured he confessed his guilt, and there were immediate threats of a lynching. For better safety the Scottsville authorities placed him in an automobile and rushed him to this city. He will be given a hearing next week.

### DANIELS IN RALEIGH.

Gives Directions for Moving His Paper Back Into Old Office.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]  
Raleigh, N. C., August 24.—Josephus Daniels made his report to the board of the recently-dissolved News and Observer yesterday, viewed the restored building and gave directions for moving back into the old office.

The Secretary of the Navy lost everything he had in the paper, but more than 100 men in the State took temporary stock in the paper and put it immediately upon its feet. He gave the last orders to the builders to-day, and will return to the capital a few days later. He has a suit against the water company for failure to supply water at the fire.

Secretary Daniels declared he had no other business here to-day and did not discuss governmental affairs. He returns to Washington to-morrow.

# Don't Work-- PLAY for This \$300 In Cash!

In the free 'Booklovers' Game contestants do nothing but save the pictures as they appear day by day, solve them as best they can, and turn them in. Each picture represents the title of a book, and those coming closest to naming the 77 titles represented by the pictures will receive the awards listed below. Get a catalogue. It contains all the 77 correct titles and brings you all back pictures free!

## The Times-Dispatch's Great \$1200.00 Gold Booklovers' Contest Picture No. 30 Date, August 25th



### What Book Does This Picture Represent? Write Title and Name of Author in Form Below

Title .....

Author .....

Your Name .....

Street and Number .....

City or Town .....

TOTAL NUMBER OF PICTURES, 77. Contest began July 27th. Each day a different picture appears in this space. Cut them out. Save them until the last picture appears on October 11th. Don't send in partial lists. Wait until you have all the answers to the 77. Read Rules, Daily Story and Special Announcements in another part of this paper. It will help you win a prize. Extra pictures and coupons of any date that have appeared may be had at 2c. Enter to-day without registering your name. Merely Save Pictures and Coupons as they appear.

### USE THIS ORDER BLANK FOR CATALOGUE

If you cut this order form, fill it out and send or bring it in with the sum designated, you will receive the Official Copyrighted Contest Catalogue of about 5,000 book titles, and seven certificates redeemable for the first thirty-five pictures in the contest. In the catalogue are all the correct titles to the seventy-seven pictures. Catalogues, 35 cents at this office, 40 cents by mail.

Do Not Send Stamps or Silver. Send Check or Money Order.

Booklovers' Contest Editor,  
The Times-Dispatch:  
Inclosed find 40 cents, for which send me a Booklovers' Contest Catalogue of about 5,000 book titles and the seven certificates redeemable for the first thirty-five pictures.

Name .....

Street and No. ....

City .....

## GET AN ANSWER BOOK (it contains 77 double pages) AND 35 PICTURES FREE

You can make ten answers to each picture, yet only need but one copy of each picture.

On the upper page you paste a picture. On the lower section you write from one to ten book titles which you have selected for the picture pasted above.

You save time, labor and expense with an Answer Book, and it helps you to win.

### USE THIS ORDER FORM FOR THE ANSWER BOOK.

Booklovers' Contest Editor,  
The Times-Dispatch:  
Find herewith 80 cents (75 cents at office), for which deliver to me your Answer Book and six certificates, returnable as the pictures appear in the contest for Pictures Nos. 36 to 70.

Name .....

Street and No. ....

City .....

Do not send stamps or silver. Send check or money order.

### What the Contest Is

It consists of 77 pictures, one published each day in this paper, and each picture representing the title of a book. You simply tell what book titles each picture represents, and when all 77 have been published, send in your set of answers. You will find this an easy, simple game, and the rewards are large. And you get all the pictures published to date FREE with the Contest Catalogue.

Start to-day. You can win.

## \$1200.00 in Gold Coin Divided Into Fifty Prizes

FIRST PRIZE .....	\$300 IN GOLD
SECOND PRIZE .....	\$200 IN GOLD
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FOURTH PRIZE .....	\$100 IN GOLD
FIFTH PRIZE .....	\$50 IN GOLD
SIXTH PRIZE .....	\$50 IN GOLD
NEXT FOUR PRIZES .....	\$25 EACH IN GOLD
NEXT TEN PRIZES .....	\$10 EACH IN GOLD
NEXT THIRTY PRIZES .....	\$5 EACH IN GOLD

Fifty Prizes in all--Totaling \$1,200 in Gold Coin

### HERE ARE THE RULES.

The contest is open to all readers of this paper. Only Times-Dispatch employees and members of their families are barred. Daily for 77 days will be published in The Times-Dispatch a picture representing the title of a book, one each day. Beneath this picture will be a coupon to fill in with the name of the book and the author, together with the name and address of entrant.

Cut out the picture and coupon, filling in the book title and author's name, writing your name and address neatly and plainly in the place provided.

No restrictions are placed on the manner in which answers to pictures are secured. Each picture represents the title of one book only. If you are not certain of your solution you may send in one to ten answers to the picture. NO MORE THAN TEN ANSWERS WILL BE ACCEPTED TO A PICTURE. Incorrect answers will not count against contestant if correct answer is also given. And put one answer to each picture and coupon. Extra coupons must be secured and used for extra answers. All answers to each picture must be kept together in compiling your set.

Additional pictures and coupons may be obtained at The Times-Dispatch office, by mail or by person. Answers will not be accepted unless they are properly filled out on the coupons appearing beneath each picture. It is necessary that pictures be sent in with the answers in order that all answers may be uniform.

When you have all 77 answers, fasten them together and bring them or mail them in a neat flat package—not folded or rolled—to The Times-Dispatch office, addressed "BOOKLOVERS' CONTEST EDITOR." Prizes will be awarded contestants sending in the largest number of correct solutions. In the event of two or more persons having the same number of correct solutions, the person using the smallest number of extra coupons on the set of answers will be declared the winner. In the event of two or more persons having the same number of correct solutions, and using the same number of coupons, an equal interest in the prizes tied for will be given to each of the tying contestants, or the persons involved in the tie may choose any one of the lesser prizes.

More than one prize will not be awarded to any one family at one address, but each member of the family may enter the contest and submit a complete set.

Only one complete set (comprising not more than 10 answers to any one picture) of answers may be submitted by a contestant. Awards will be made strictly according to the merit of each separate list. The names of more than one person must not be written on any one coupon.

All answers will be considered on their merits. The first set filed will have no preference over the last set filed; provided only that answers must be filed within the time specified after the last picture has appeared.

The awards will be made by the Contest Editor and three well-known citizens whose names will be announced later.

The correct answers to the series of pictures will be filed with a local trust company or bank previous to the close of the contest.

Entry to the contest may be made at any time. All communications or letters of inquiry concerning the contest should be addressed to the Booklovers' Contest Editor, The Times-Dispatch.

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